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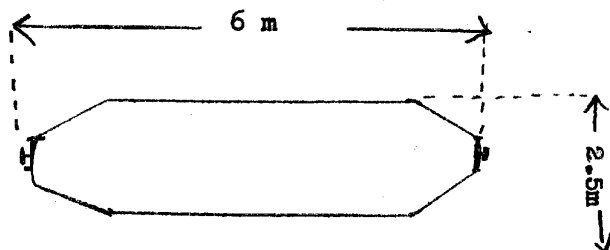
1. In 1950

the chemical combine (Khimicheskiy Kombinat) located approximately two kilometers north of Chirchik

Among local inhabitants it was always referred to as "Khimicheskiy Kombinat".

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2. The chemical combine occupied an area of several square kilometers which was surrounded by a brick wall and wooden fence with several rows of barbed wire on the top. The combine site was guarded inside by militarized guards. A large number of buildings, houses, shops, and other plant installations were located in the area. Two very high smokestacks were constantly (day and night) emitting heavy yellow smoke with an unidentified, unpleasant odor. Many metal tanks of the form shown in Figure 1 were stored inside the combine grounds.

Fig. 1.

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In addition to these tanks, there were hundreds of metal barrels in the area. All this could be seen through some openings in the wall which were protected by barbed wire.

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3. The chemical combine was in operation 24 hours a day, in three shifts. [redacted] there were at least 1,000 workers employed by this combine. A workers' settlement consisting of a large number of one and two-story houses was located close to the combine's fenced-in area.

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4. [redacted] There was a railroad spur leading into the area of the combine from the Chirchik Railway Station [redacted]

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